

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 386

Introduced by Assembly Member Lieber

February 11, 2005

An act to add Section 4474.2 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to developmental services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 386, as introduced, Lieber. Agnews Developmental Center.

Existing law establishes the State Department of Developmental Services and sets forth its duties and responsibilities, including, but not limited to, administration and oversight of the state developmental centers and programs relating to persons with developmental disabilities. Existing law, the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, requires the department to allocate funds to private nonprofit regional centers for the provision of community services and support for persons with developmental disabilities and their families.

Existing law requires the department to submit a plan to the Governor and the Legislature whenever it proposes closure of a developmental center.

This bill would, in addition, require the department to develop a plan for the closure of Agnews Developmental Center to be used as a model plan for future closures.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 4474.2 is added to the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code, to read:

1 4474.2. (a) In addition to, and as a component of, the
2 requirements of Section 4474.1, the department shall develop a
3 plan for the closure of Agnews Developmental Center which
4 shall serve as a model plan the future closure of developmental
5 centers. The model plan shall be developed in consultation with
6 all of the following:

7 (1) Each regional center that provides services to persons with
8 developmental services within the San Francisco Bay area.

9 (2) The Hospital Director of Agnews Developmental Center.

10 (3) A representative of a nonprofit senior adult protection
11 organization that provides services in the San Francisco Bay
12 area.

13 (b) The model plan shall address all of the following:

14 (1) The use of developmental center staff in order to facilitate
15 a smooth transition of residents from the developmental center
16 into community placement and receiving services under the
17 supervision of the regional centers.

18 (2) The need to provide placements for all existing residents
19 from the closed developmental center to appropriate community
20 placements, or developmental center transfers where community
21 placements are not possible. The placements shall be in areas as
22 close as practicable to the geographical area in which the person
23 currently resides.

24 (3) The use of the closed developmental center for housing
25 hospital and regional center employees during the transition
26 period.

27 (c) Submit the plan to the Legislature by January 1, 2007.